

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claims 1 and 2 (canceled)

3. (currently amended): ~~The positioning structure according to claim 2, A~~
positioning structure comprising:
- a main member;
 - a boss upstanding from the main member, the boss having a positioning section; and
 - a plurality of members to be pierced each having a through hole through which the boss
is inserted whereby the members to be pierced are stacked and fixed and the main member and
the members to be pierced are relatively positioned to each other,
 - wherein the positioning section positions the members to be pierced to predetermined
positions along an inserting direction of the boss, respectively,
 - wherein the positioning section is configured by a plurality of steps which are disposed
by forming the boss into a shape that is stepwise tapered as advancing toward a tip end, and
 - wherein, widths of the steps of the boss in a direction perpendicular to the inserting
direction are equal to minimum inner dimensions of the through holes of the members
corresponding to placement positions, respectively.

4. (currently amended): ~~The positioning structure according to claim 2, A~~
positioning structure comprising:
a main member;
a boss upstanding from the main member, the boss having a positioning section; and
a plurality of members to be pierced each having a through hole through which the boss
is inserted whereby the members to be pierced are stacked and fixed and the main member and
the members to be pierced are relatively positioned to each other,
wherein the positioning section positions the members to be pierced to predetermined
positions along an inserting direction of the boss, respectively,
wherein the positioning section is configured by a plurality of steps which are disposed
by forming the boss into a shape that is stepwise tapered as advancing toward a tip end, and
wherein vertical gap dimensions between the steps in the inserting direction correspond to
thickness of the members to be pierced, respectively.

5. (currently amended): ~~The positioning structure according to claim 1, A~~
positioning structure comprising:
a main member;
a boss upstanding from the main member, the boss having a positioning section; and
a plurality of members to be pierced each having a through hole through which the boss
is inserted whereby the members to be pierced are stacked and fixed and the main member and
the members to be pierced are relatively positioned to each other,

wherein the positioning section positions the members to be pierced to predetermined positions along an inserting direction of the boss, respectively, and

wherein the boss is formed into a shape that is continuously tapered as advancing toward a tip end, and, widths of the boss in a direction perpendicular to the inserting direction are equal to minimum inner dimensions of the through holes of the members corresponding to placement positions, respectively.

6. (canceled)